

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/AU2004/001775

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER Int. Cl. ⁷ : G06F 12/14 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC		
B. FIELDS SEARCHED Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) DWPI: Unique, Identifier, ID, Application, Software, Module, Authenticat+, Verifi+, Authoris+, Database		
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 6510236 B1 (Crane et al.) 21 January 2003 Abstract & Line 65, Column2 – Line 10, Column 4	1-8, 15
X	WO 2000/035143 A1 (VITUAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATES PTY. LTD.) 15 June 2000 Abstract, Lines 7-21, Page 2 & Figure 5	1-8, 15
X	US 2002/0188736 A1 (JARVENSIVU) 12 December 2002 Abstract, Paragraphs 33-34, Figure 2	1-8, 15
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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a)

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
The international application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention because it does not relate to one invention or to a group of inventions so linked as to form a single general inventive concept. In coming to this conclusion the International Searching Authority has found that there are two inventions:

(See Extra Sheet)

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☒ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
1-8 & 15
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Supplemental Box

(To be used when the space in any of Boxes I to VIII is not sufficient)

Continuation of Box No: III Observations where unity of invention is lacking

1. **Claims 1-8 and 15** are directed to a method of providing a digital data item to a user, the user having registered on a server so that the user information has been stored in a User Information Database, an application also having been associated with a user terminal by encoding a unique identifier of the user terminal in the application; the unique identifier also having been stored in the user Information Database.

It is considered that encoding a unique identifier of the user terminal in the application comprises a first "special technical feature".

2. **Claims 9-14 and 16-27** directed to a method of transferring a digital data item from an originator terminal to a recipient terminal where an originator application on the originator terminal requests the transfer of the digital data item, the request being transmitted to a server; a recipient application on the recipient terminal accepting the request for transfer of the digital data item, the request being transmitted from the server; deleting the digital data item from the originator terminal; and, transmitting the digital data item from the server to the recipient terminal.

The deleting of the digital data item from the originator terminal is considered to comprise a second separate "special technical feature".

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Information on patent family members

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This Annex lists the known "A" publication level patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned international search report. The Australian Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

Patent Document Cited in Search Report		Patent Family Member			
US	6510236				
WO	0035143	AU	17618/00	EP	1135887
				NZ	512655
US	2002188736				
Due to data integration issues this family listing may not include 10 digit Australian applications filed since May 2001.					
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